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JANUARY- MARCH 2010 MILK PRODUCTION

SOUTH CAROLINA DOWN 7 PERCENT FROM 2009 QUARTER

There were an estimated 80 million pounds of milk produced in SOUTH CAROLINA during the January-March quarter of 2010, the USDA NASS South Carolina Field Office announced. This is down 7 percent from January-March 2009 quarter, but up 8 percent from October-December 2009 quarter. There were 17,000 milk cows on SOUTH CAROLINA farms during January-March 2010, unchanged from 2009, but down 3 percent from the October-December 2009 quarter.

UNITED STATES JANUARY – MARCH MILK PRODUCTION DOWN 0.1 PERCENT

Milk production in the U.S. during the January - March quarter totaled 47.3 billion pounds, down 0.1 percent from the January - March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.09 million head, 206,000 head less than the same period last year.